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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD FOR FORMING THICK FILM PATTERN, METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING ELECTRONIC COMPONENT, AND PHOTOLITHOGRAPHY PHOTOSENSITIVE PASTE

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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#### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Christopher Bennett on January 04, 2011.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 37, line 1 delete "The photolithography photosensitive paste" and insert

- The method for forming a thick film pattern - - in its place.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Ikeda et al. (JP 05-204151) teach a photosensitive paste composition wherein a monomer may be comprised in an amount of 300 parts by weight to 50 parts by weight of a polymer binder.

Ikeda et al. teach away from having a higher amount of monomer / higher ratio monomer/(monomer + polymer) (par.0028).

There are no prior art teachings that would motivate one of ordinary skill in the art to modify Ikeda et al. and obtain the photosensitive paste of claims 20 and 31 of the instant application.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably Application/Control Number: 10/596,000 Page 3

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cynthia H. Kelly can be reached on 571-272-1526. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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